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For : CD44 RELATED FRAGMENTS, COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents which are listed on Form PTO-1449 (Exhibit A) and are also listed below. Copies of the documents listed below as references 1-8 are attached hereto as Exhibits 1-8, respectively.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3) before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Thus, this Information Disclosure Statement should be entered and considered.

- 1. Herrlich, P., et al. (2000) CD44 Acts Both as a Growth- and Invasiveness-Promoting Molecule and as a Tumor-Suppressing Cofactor, Ann. NY Acad. Sci. 910:106-118 (Exhibit 1);
- 2. Kajita, M., et al. (2001) Membrane-type 1 Matrix

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Metalloproteinase Cleaves CD44 AND Promotes Cell Migration, J. Cell. Biol. 153:893-904 (Exhibit 2);

- Lee, H.-J., et al. (2002) Presentilin-dependent γ-Secretase-like Intramembrane Cleavage of ErbB4, J. Biol. Chem. 277:6318-6323 (Exhibit 3);
- 4. Morrison, H., et al. (2001) The NF2 tumor suppressor gene product, merlin, mediates contact inhibition of growth through interactions with CD44, Genes and Development 15:968-980 (Exhibit 4);
- 5. Rattan, S.I.S., et al. (1992) Protein Synthesis, Posttranslational Modifications, and Aging, Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci. 663:48-62 (Exhibit 5);
- 6. Seifter, S., et al. (1990) Analysis for Protein Modifications and Nonprotein Cofactors, Meth. Enzymol. 182:626-646 (Exhibit 6);
- 7. Seiffert, D., et al. (2000) Presenilin-1 and -2 Are Molecular Targets for  $\gamma$ -Secretase Inhibitors, *J. Biol. Chem.* 275:34086-34091 (Exhibit 7); and
- 8. Wold, F. (1983) Posttranslational Protein Modifications:
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Applicants request that the Examiner review the references and make them of record in the subject application.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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